


In the specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 13 as follows:

 --Finally, referring to FIG. 12, in a particular construction of this embodiment of the invention found effective at higher ambient temperatures, a protection element 250 has a substrate 252 of polymeric material, e.g. PVC (poly vinyl chloride), formed by extrusion. The substrate 252 has a width,  $W$  w, e.g. about  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch, and a thickness,  $T$  t, e.g. about  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch. An upper edge portion 254 of the substrate curves outwardly to extend to a distance,  $E$ , e.g., about  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch, forming a shield 256 for the exposed surface of the outer adhesive layer 258. The outer adhesive layer 258 and the inner adhesive layer 260 are both shown with the adhesive surfaces exposed for use.--